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IN MEDICINES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

3. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1, in which R<sup>6</sup> is C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl.
4. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1, in which R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen.
5. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1, in which X is oxygen or sulfur.
6. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1, in which R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> together with two adjacent carbon atoms mean a 3- to 8-membered, preferably 5- to 6-membered ring, which is substituted with  
-(CHR<sup>9</sup>)<sub>r</sub>-NR<sup>7</sup>-A-NR<sup>8</sup>B.
8. (Amended) Compounds according to claim 1, in which A means a straight-chain or branched C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylene or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-Q-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>q</sub>-, and p and q mean 1-4.
11. (Amended) Pharmaceutical agent that contains a compound according to claim 1 and one or more pharmaceutically common vehicles or adjuvants.
12. (Amended) Use of a compound according to claim 1 for the production of a pharmaceutical agent for treating a disease that is triggered by NOS.